GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP
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Skill Development Centres in Vacant Buildings
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Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to open skill development centres in the buildings of the Ministries which are not being fully utilised;

(b) if so, the details of the parameters in this regard;

(c) whether the Government proposes to provide financial assistance at ministry level for repair of such old buildings for running skill development centres;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

(a) to (e) Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship has signed Memorandum of Understandings (MoUs) with a number of Central Ministries/Departments for collaboration in skill development to leverage their existing idle infrastructure to deliver skill training programmes. The Ministries/Departments concerned are as under:

1) Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities
2) Ministry of Defence
3) Ministry of Railways
4) Ministry of Health & Family Welfare
5) Department of Fertilisers
6) Department of Chemicals and Petro-Chemicals
7) Department of Pharmaceuticals
8) Ministry of Steel
9) Ministry of Mines
10) Department of Heavy Industries

Besides, Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship has also initiated a joint initiative with the Ministry of Railways to harness the large railway network and infrastructure for skill development in remote regions of the country. Till date, 52 locations have been identified for setting up of skill training centres using railway infrastructure. The centres are being set up by selected training partners of National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) and will be utilized for skill training under Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY).